

Dallas Furness
Chairman

Greg Shenton
Watermaster

Laurie Small
Secretary

WATER DISTRICT #31
Dubois, Idaho

CLARK AND JEFFERSON COUNTIES, IDAHO

MINUTES OF THE ANNUAL MEETING OF MARCH 14, 2012

The water users of Water District No. 31 met in the Clark County Annex Building, Dubois, Idaho, on Wednesday, March 14, 2012, at 1:00 p.m., as provided by Idaho Statutes for the purpose of electing a chairman and secretary, electing a watermaster, adopting the 2012 budget, and any other business that may come before the District.

Those in attendance were: Dallas Furness, Chairman; Jim Hagenbarth, John Braastad (Camas Wildlife Refuge), Keith Shulberg, Rhett Jacobs, Bill Frederiksen, Richard Savage, Gerald Messerli, Theo Taylor, Roy Yearsley, Steve Shively, Rex Coleman, James Twitchell, Don Parker, Scott Clawson, Greg Shenton, Watermaster; Brett Murdock, Deputy Watermaster; and Laurie Small, Secretary.

The meeting was called to order by Dallas Furness, Chairman at 1:05 p.m.

ADOPTION OF AGENDA

The Chairman entertained a motion to adopt the proposed agenda. Gerald Messerli moved that the proposed agenda be adopted as the order of business for this meeting. The motion was seconded by Theo Taylor. Motion passed.

Keith Shulberg moved to waive the appointment of Credentials Committee. John Hagenbarth seconded the motion. Motion passed.

The amended agenda was the order of business for this meeting.

1. Adoption of Agenda
2. Reading and Approval of Previous Year's Minutes
3. Nomination and Election of Chairman and Secretary
4. Report of Watermaster and Approval
5. Fix the Compensation of Watermaster and Deputy
6. Adoption of Budget
7. Election of Watermaster and Appointment of Deputy
8. Appointment of Advisory Board
9. Adoption of Resolutions
10. IDWR Report
11. Other Business
12. Set Date and Time of Next Year's Annual Meeting
13. Adjournment

MINUTES

Minutes were passed out to all those in attendance. Minutes were read individually. Don Parker made a motion to accept the 2011 minutes. Rhett Jacobs seconded the motion. Motion passed.

NOMINATION AND ELECTION OF CHAIRMAN AND SECRETARY

Chairman Furness asked for nomination from the floor for Chairman and Secretary. Gerald Messerli moved that Dallas Furness continue as Chairman and Laurie Small as Secretary. Theo Taylor seconded the motion. Theo Taylor moved nominations cease. Bill Frederiksen seconded the motion. Both motions passed.

REPORT OF WATERMASTER

Watermaster Greg Shenton discussed the Watermaster's Report items as follows.

2011 WATER YEAR

The 2011 water delivery was at 112,764 A.F. for the water district. A total of 23,150 A.F. of water was delivered in Clark County, and 89,614 A.F. of water was delivered in Jefferson County. The 2010 water delivery was at 106,104 A.F. for the water district. A total of 14,412 A.F. of water was delivered in Clark County, and 91,692 A.F. of water was delivered in Jefferson County. The 2011 water delivery was up 6,660 A.F. from that which was delivered in the 2010 water season.

STREAM FLOWS

Beaver Creek ran to Dubois until August 22nd. Camas Creek flowed to the Refuge until August 14th in 2011.

WELL FLOWS

Independent water users started pumping on the 24th of March and Mud Lake Water Users started pumping the 1st of April.

BEAVER

This year the most trouble remains at the upper Laird Diversion. There are signs that beaver activity in Kilgore is on the rise.

MUD LAKE CONTENT

Watermaster reported on the water levels in Mud Lake for March 1, 2012, which was 8,790 A.F., March 1, 2011 which was 9,080 A.F., May 1, 2011, which was 22,000 A.F. and November 1, 2011, which was 12,000 A.F.

CAMAS CREEK INFLOW INTO MUD LAKE

For 2010 the inflow was 0 A.F. The 2011 inflow was 25,400 A.F.

2011 WATER USE OF MAJOR CANAL COMPANIES

Mud Lake Water Users used a total of 62,742 A.F., applying 2.86 A.F. per acre, while the Independent Water Users used 8,584 A.F. applying 2.09 A.F. per acre. 2011 average use in the Mud Lake area 2.74 A.F. per acre. From 1992 to 2010 the average is 2.84 A.F. per acre. The high was in 1992 of 3.31 and the low was in 2009 of 2.26.

SNOW REPORT - MARCH 1, 2011

The Camp Creek-Beaver Creek measurements show a snow depth of 24" with water content at 5.5 compared to Kilgore-Camas Creek measures show a snow depth of 29" with water content at 6.4. The Camp Creek snow course is at 67% of normal, the Kilgore course is 63% of normal, the Crab Creek course is at 61%, and the Lake View Ridge is at 61% of normal. The average of all 4 sites is 63% of normal.

Greg also reported on the cloud seeding in the area. There are 25 manual units in the area. 3 of the 15 remote units that Idaho Power controls are in Clark County.

2011 BUDGET REVIEW AND 2012 BUDGET PROPOSAL

Greg Shenton reviewed the 2011 budget and actual expenses, explaining some of the expenditures. Greg also went over the 2012 Budget Proposal which would remain the same as 2011 budget if adopted. There were unused fourth quarter funds totaling \$3144.90. The Federal Agencies were \$7,764.05.

APPROVAL OF WATERMASTER'S REPORT & ADOPTION OF BUDGET

Steve Shively made a motion to approve the Watermaster's Report. Keith Shulberg seconded the motion. Motion passed.

Don Parker made the motion the deputy watermaster's mileage increase \$2000.00 and the watermaster's mileage increase \$3000.00. Gerald Messerli seconded the motion. Motion passed.

Jim Hagenbarth made a motion to approve the compensation of the Watermaster and Deputy and adopt the proposed 2012 budget with amendments. Bill Frederiksen seconded the motion. Motion passed.

	2012 Proposed Budget	2012 Adopted Budget
Misc. Expenses	\$38,550.00	\$38,550.00
Channel & Legal	\$1000.00	\$1000.00
Secretary	\$450.00	\$450.00
Office Rent	\$2000.00	\$2000.00
Total	\$42,000.00	\$42,000.00
Watermaster Salary	\$31,800.00	\$31,800.00
Deputy Salary	\$23,500.00	\$23,500.00
Total	\$55,300.00	\$55,300.00
Watermaster Mileage	\$14,500.00	\$17,500.00
Deputy Mileage	\$12,000.00	\$14,000.00
2011 Budget	\$123,800.00	\$123,800.00
2012 Budget	\$123,800.00	\$128,800.00
Increase	\$0.00	\$5000.00
2012 Budget	\$123,800.00	\$128,800.00
Less Unused fourth quarter budget	\$3144.90	\$3144.90
Less Federal Agencies	\$8672.00	\$8672.00
Total	\$111,982.25	\$116,982.25

ELECTION OF WATERMASTER AND DEPUTY WATERMASTER

The Chairman called for nominations from the floor for Watermaster and Deputy Watermaster. Keith Shulberg moved to open nominations. Don Parker moved that Greg Shenton remain as Watermaster and Brett Murdock as Deputy Watermaster. James Twitchell seconded the motion. Motion passed.

APPOINTMENT OF ADVISORY BOARD

The Chairman re-appointed the following to the Advisory Board: Dallas Furness as Chairman, Jim Hagenbarth, Valeria Maxwell, Andy Dobson, Keith Shulberg, Gerald Messerli and Bill Frederiksen as members. Don Parker made the motion to approve the Advisory Board. Richard Savage seconded the motion. Motion passed.

RESOLUTIONS

The Chairman called for a motion to adopt the following resolutions.

High Water at Mud Lake

Be it hereby resolved, that the Watermaster be authorized to determine when diversion is needed and to divert any high water. That such water be considered stored in the aquifer, with rights to the water being retained by the district. Diversion of said waters would be by diverting at the Lone Tree Diversion, and pumping through the diversion canal at the Mud Lake Water Users.

Collection of Water Assessments

Be it hereby resolved, that no ditch, canal co., or other water user shall have the right to demand and receive water, and the watermaster shall not deliver such water, until full payment is made. Said payment becomes due April 1, and becomes delinquent April 15, and if not paid by April 15, shall bear interest from the date of April 1, until paid at the rate of 8% per annum.

Be it further resolved that government agencies be exempt from the above provisions to the extent necessary for them to comply with payments according to the provisions of Federal law, and that the Watermaster of District 31, be authorized to enter into contract with said agencies of the United States for payment of assessment as provided in the budget.

Mud Lake Water Users

Be it hereby resolved, that any water user that completes the water year with a negative balance on the Mud Lake balance sheet shall have that negative balance carried forward to the April draft column on the balance sheet of the following year, and said negative balance shall be charged to the Mud Lake allotment of said following year, as set forth in part 5, paragraph 4 of the Mud Lake Decree.

District Billings and Collections

Be it hereby resolved, that the Clark County Auditor make up a roll of all Water District 31 users to include all Jefferson County users. Be it further resolved that the Clark County Treasurer mail out said billings and make collections of all Water District 31 Water Users to include all Jefferson County Water Users in said Water District 31 boundaries.

Be it further resolved that the Clark County Treasurer also make all payments and disbursements owed by Water District 31, which are presented through the proper claims procedures which are common to other Clark County practices.

ADOPT RESOLUTIONS

Gerald Messerli made a motion that the resolutions be adopted. Steve Shively seconded the motion. Motion passed.

OTHER BUSINESS

The district had no further business at this time.

MEETING TIME

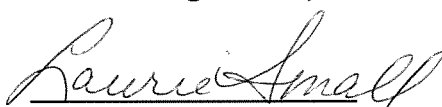
Keith Shulberg made the motion to have the next meeting on March 13, 2013 at 1:00 p.m., at the Clark County Annex Building in Dubois, Idaho. Theo Taylor seconded the motion. Motion passed.

ADJOURNMENT

Chairman Furness asked if there was any further business; having no further business, Don Parker moved to adjourn. Meeting was adjourned at approximately 1:55 p.m.

ATTEST:


Dallas Furness
Chairman


Laurie Small
Secretary

**ADOPTED BUDGET AND RESOLUTIONS
PERTAINING TO THE COLLECTION
THEREOF FOR 2012**

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Department of Water Resources
Eastern Region

WATER DISTRICT NO. : 31

STREAM : Beaver, Camas Creek and Mud Lake

COUNTY : Clark & Jefferson

NAME OF SECRETARY: Laurie Small

ADDRESS OF SECRETARY: P.O. Box 65, Dubois, ID 83423

COLLECTION AND HOLDING OF THE WATER DISTRICT FUNDS

Please check the appropriate box regarding the collection and holding of Water District funds.

- ☐ _____ The Water District collects and holds its own funds.
- ☒ _____ Clark County collects and holds funds for the Water District.
- ☐ _____ County collects the Water District's funds and deposits the funds in an account held by the Water District

(This report must be certified and made in duplicate, one copy to be forwarded to the appropriate regional office of the Idaho Department of Water Resources, and one copy to the Secretary of the Annual User's Meeting of the Water District. If a designated county collects funds for the water, than a third copy must be sent to the auditor of the designated county.)

Dubois, Idaho, March 14, 2012

I HEREBY CERTIFY that the within is true and correct copy of the budget as adopted at the annual Water Users Meeting of Water District No. 31, held at County Annex Bldg. Dubois, ID 83423, on the 14th day of March, 2012, and all resolutions adopted at said meeting pertaining to the time and the manner of collecting the amounts provided for in the said budget.



Secretary, Water District No. 31



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Governor

GARY SPACKMAN
Interim Director

April 2, 2012

Clark County Auditor & Recorder
Carol Hoopes
PO Box 205
Dubois ID 83423

RE: Water District No. #31, 32C, 32D

Dear Treasurer / Auditor:

Enclosed please find copies of the Adopted Budget and Minutes of the above Water District. They have been read and approved by this office.

If you have any questions concerning this matter, please feel free to contact this office.

Respectfully submitted,

Dennis Dunn
Senior Water Rights Agent

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